

HOUSE BILL No. 1960

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Citations Affected: IC 14-22-31.

Synopsis: Shooting preserves. Allows a person licensed by the department of natural resources to establish and operate a shooting preserve to propagate and offer white tail deer for hunting. Requires a person who wants to operate a licensed shooting preserve and who owns a contiguous tract of land containing an area of not less than 100 acres and not more than 1,000 acres to apply to the department of natural resources for a license. (Under current law, a license is required for a shooting preserve on a tract of land that is not less than 100 acres and not more than 640 acres.) Makes other conforming amendments.

Effective: July 1, 1999.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 14-22-31-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 1. A person who:
3 (1) owns;
4 (2) holds; or
5 (3) controls by lease for a term of not less than five (5) years;
6 a contiguous tract of land containing an area of not less than one
7 hundred (100) acres and not more than ~~six hundred forty (640)~~ **one**
8 **thousand (1,000)** acres, and who desires to establish a license shooting
9 preserve must apply to the division for a license.
10 SECTION 2. IC 14-22-31-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
11 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 4. Upon receipt of an
12 application, the department shall do the following:
13 (1) Inspect the following:
14 (A) The proposed shooting preserve.
15 (B) The facilities for propagating the game birds, **white tail**
16 **deer**, or exotic mammals.
17 (C) The cover.



1 (D) The capability of the applicant to maintain such an
2 operation.

3 (2) If found feasible, approve the application and issue a license
4 to the applicant.

5 SECTION 3. IC 14-22-31-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
6 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 7. A person issued a
7 license under section 4 of this chapter may propagate and offer for
8 hunting the following animals that are captive reared and released:

9 (1) Pheasant, quail, chukar partridges, properly marked mallard
10 ducks, and other game bird species that the department
11 determines by rule.

12 (2) Species of exotic mammals that the department determines by
13 rule.

14 (3) **White tail deer.**

15 SECTION 4. IC 14-22-31-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
16 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 8. (a) A person may not
17 take game birds, **white tail deer**, and exotic mammals on a shooting
18 preserve unless the person has a hunting license required under this
19 article, except nonresidents of Indiana who must possess a special
20 license to shoot on licensed shooting preserves.

21 (b) The department:

22 (1) shall issue special licenses; and

23 (2) may appoint owners or managers of shooting preserves as
24 agents to sell special licenses.

25 (c) A special license expires December 31 of the year issued.

26 (d) The fee for a special license is eight dollars and seventy-five
27 cents (\$8.75). All fees shall be deposited in the fish and wildlife fund.

28 SECTION 5. 5. IC 14-22-31-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
29 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 10. The licensee of a
30 shooting preserve shall issue a bill of sale designating game birds,
31 **white tail deer**, or exotic mammals lawfully taken upon the shooting
32 preserve. The bill of sale must accompany all game birds, **white tail**
33 **deer**, and exotic mammals removed from the shooting preserve. The
34 licensee shall retain a copy of all bills of sale issued to persons
35 removing game birds or exotic mammals from the shooting preserve.
36 The bills of sale are subject to inspection by the fish and wildlife
37 division at any time.

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